



Cache the Big Game

Geocache Series

Starting January 27th

Are you ready for a new adventure?

Bundle up, put on a pair of boots, and charge the GPS unit! The Cache the Big Game geocaching series will take you across Hamilton County – discovering the hidden gems of the area. This free, family friendly program offers modern-day treasure hunters an exciting adventure filled activity with a special challenge and reward.

A cache has been hidden in two parks within each participating Parks & Recreation agency in Hamilton County. Your challenge is to locate each of the eight caches using a handheld GPS (global positioning system) unit. Each cache will include a logbook and a special code. After collecting the special code from each park, log your find on geocaching.com and email sfix@westfield.in.gov with all eight codes and your name and address. The first 100 people will receive a commemorative pathtag! Log onto any of the websites for the Parks & Recreation agencies listed below where the coordinates will be posted starting January 27th.

Cache the Big Game Geocaching Series Presented by:



www.fishers.in.us/parks



www.westfield.in.gov/parks



www.cityofnoblesville.org/parks



www.washingtontownship-hc.us/

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Guide to Geocaching

What is geocaching?

Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunt game that is growing in popularity worldwide. Cache containers are placed in various locations where adventurers can easily combine being outdoors with the use of sophisticated (but easy to use) global positioning technology to hunt for these treasures.

Here's how it's done:

Visit geocaching.com to open a free geocaching account and get the coordinates for the Cache the Big Game caches located in parks across Hamilton County, which will be published starting Friday, January 27th. Once you have the list of coordinates, they can be entered on a hand-held GPS unit. Next, using the GPS unit, see your location in relation to the hidden cache. Then follow the signals that will direct you toward the cache. A cache can be a notable landmark or a container that includes a logbook, small gifts left by previous players, and other items. In return, you may leave something in the cache if you choose. The caches in the Cache the Big Game series will include a special code inside—make note of this special code. Once caches are found, players log their finds on geocaching.com, where they can share messages about their geocaching experiences. After logging their finds, players who find all eight caches in the Cache the Big Game series should email all eight codes along with their name and address to sfix@westfield.in.gov. The first 100 people will receive a commemorative pathtag celebrating the big game!

Rules of the game:

Keep geocaching fun and safe by following these rules and ethics of the sport. When seeking geocaches make sure that you:

- Tread lightly on the land – minimize impact on the environment. There should be no need to disturb natural features to find a cache.
- Never remove or relocate a cache. Once you find the cache, claim your prize and leave the cache for others to find exactly where you found it.
- Observe all laws and rules of the park.
- Respect property rights.
- Avoid causing disruptions.

Please visit www.geocaching.com for much more information on Geocaching!